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State of Iowa  
*Eighty-Third General Assembly*  
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Des Moines, Iowa 50319

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Ways and Means

July 30, 2009

Iowa Finance Authority  
Attn: I-Jobs Board of Directors  
2015 Grand Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50312

Dear Board Members:

Please accept my endorsement for the Vinton Municipal Utility's application requesting an I-Jobs grant for a new permanent demountable floodwall. I am very comfortable recommending Vinton's electric utility as I have watched their proactive efforts to provide electric service prior to the flood and their heroic efforts during and after.

The devastation Vinton and their utility suffered, during the flood of 2008, can be mitigated dramatically by the insertion of the permanent demountable floodwall they are requesting funds for. I wish you could have been present to witness the heroism that happened here in Vinton during the flood and is still happening during the recovery. It is truly inspiring, but we don't want to do it again. The strong leadership and positive attitude of the people of Vinton should set standards for individuals and other communities to follow. In that same light, they are showing strong leadership by putting in place hazard safeguards that will protect the utility and their people, now and into the future from a similar catastrophe.

Please give the Vinton Municipal Utility's I-Jobs grant application your full consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Dawn E. Pettengill". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dawn" being the most prominent.

Dawn Pettengill  
State Representative



# BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, P.O. Box 549, Vinton, IA 52349

319-472-4869

July 28, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

The Benton County Board of Supervisors would like to offer their support to the I-Jobs grant being applied for by the Vinton Municipal Electric Utility (VMEU). It is our understanding that VMEU is requesting I-Jobs funding to help with the purchase of a floodwall, which will provide protection to various county-owned facilities.

Benton County suffered damage totaling in the millions during the June 2008 flood. The largest facility loss was our law enforcement center, including our jail and communications center. The cost to replace the center, as well as the equipment, alone will far exceed six million dollars.

The flood wall being proposed will help provide protection to critical facilities, allowing Benton County to continue to provide safety to the public during disasters such as the 2008 flood.

The Board of Supervisors requests that you fund the VMEU's application so that the thousands of residents in Benton County can continue to be protected should another flood like 2008 ever occur.

Sincerely,

David H. Vermedahl, Chairman  
Benton County Board of Supervisors

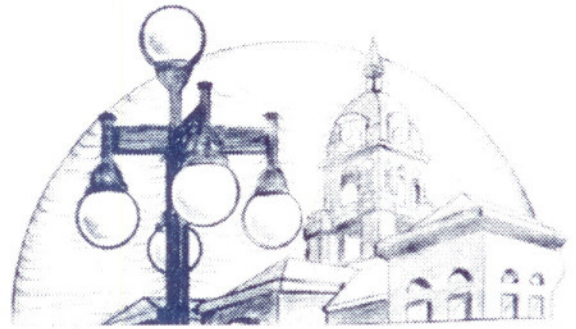


# City of Vinton

***The Family Friendly Community***

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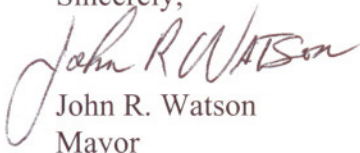
To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to pledge support to the Vinton Municipal Electric Utility in their grant application to I-Jobs. This funding will help purchase a flood wall. This flood wall will give protection to the City's fire station, electric generation plant and line distribution plant. These facilities provide essential services for the City of Vinton and for Benton County.

This flood wall would prevent another devastation that Vinton witnessed with the June 2008 flood.

Again, I support Vinton Municipal Electric Utility's I-Jobs grant application.

Sincerely,

  
John R. Watson  
Mayor

We, the undersigned, as government entities, residents & businesses located in the City of Vinton, do hereby pledge our support in favor of the construction of a permanent demountable floodwall. Said floodwall will protect vital community assets like the city's electric generation and distribution, city fire station, Benton County Law Enforcement Center, Benton County Transportation and the Benton County Courthouse. These are all essential entities that provide health, welfare and municipal services in the City of Vinton and to Benton County.

Name	Position or Title	Date of Signature
Scott Meyer	Resident	7-31-09
Jimmy Meadows	Resident	7-24-09
Scott A. Schlabach	Manager SRE	7-24-09
Ginny Michael	City Clerk	7-24-09
Rich A. Brown	Resident	7-24-09
Tammie L. Brown	Resident	7-24-09
Wendy Leibel Kugel	Resident	7-24-09
Tommy Elvick	Vinton Councilman	7-24-09
Al Shindler	Elec. Trustee & Resident	7-24-09
Jim M. Kerner	Business	7-24-09
Jamie Peterman	Resident	7-24-09
Kathy Hansen	Benton Co. EMA	07/27/09
Michael C. Baur	Elec. Trustee / Resident	07/27/09
Darryl McLennan	VFA Chief	7-27-09
Virginia Maister	Library Director	7/29/09
Cheryl Tate	City Employee	7/29/09
Lori Hill	EMPLOYEE	7/29/09
Paul Stiffler	Employee	7-30-09
Ron Leadman	Employee	7-30-09
Brian Kuhlman	Employee	7-30-09
Paul Muehl	Employee	7-30-09
Glenn King	RESIDENT	7-31-09
Michael Gump	Employee	7-31-09
John Schmitt	Employee	7-31-09
John King	Employee	7-31-09
Timothy E. Skene	Resident	7-31-09
Craig Waller	City Employee	7-31-09
Elena Wynn	Vinton	7-31-09
Don Erickson	Vinton	7-31-09
Debra Smith	Vinton	7-31-09
Jeff Long	Maintenance Plant	7-31-09
Loris Jane Pippert	Vinton	7-31-09
Jack Overton	Vinton	7-31-09
Dennis Spurr	Vinton	7-31-09
Jeffrey	Vinton	7-31-09
Paul Deo	Vinton	7-31-09
Dan Jones	Vinton	7-31-09